Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 29 Apr 2022 until 23:59 on Saturday 30 Apr 2022

Forecast Issued on Thursday 28 Apr 2022 at 11:54 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for settled Friday then rain for Saturday, persistent at times in west, then lowering for detail from Sunday, particularly for cloud cover.

Headline for Friday 29 Apr 2022: Largely dry with brighter spells and light winds.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 29 Apr 2022

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** No Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Cloudy	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals
Precipitation probability							
00%	00%	00%	00%	<05%	<05%	<05%	00%

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Weather: Dry with some limited clear spells developing overnight. A dry day for the vast majority with only a few isolated light afternoon showers bubbling up for a time. Some brighter spells during the morning, improving to occasional periods of sunshine for the afternoon and early evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 80%

Low cloud and visibility: Good or very good, becoming moderate in showers, very poor in hill fog with bases usually above the summits, but infrequently lowering 600-800m.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	6/8 NW	7/8 W	9/11 W	8/11 NW	7/11 NW	7/11 NW	7/11 W	8/11 S	12/15 S
900	5/6 SE	4/5 S	6/7 SW	6/10 NW	6/10 NW	7/11 N	6/8 N	8/10 S	10/12 S
600	3/4 S	3/4 SW	3/5 W	5/8 NW	5/10 NW	7/11 N	4/7 N	5/8 S	6/8 S
300	3/5 SE	2/3 S	3/6 SW	3/7 SW	4/9 N	6/11 N	3/6 NE	2/6 SW	3/8 SW
Glen	2/4 W	2/4 SW	2/5 SW	3/7 SW	4/10 NW	5/11 N	3/6 NE	3/7 S	3/9 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-0/-4	-0/-4	0/-4	2/-2	3/0	3/1	3/-0	1/-2	1/-4
900	3/1	3/2	3/1	5/3	7/5	7/5	7/5	6/3	5/1
600	6/4	5/4	5/4	8/6	10/8	10/9	10/9	8/7	7/5
300	7/6	5/4	6/5	10/10	12/12	13/12	12/11	9/8	7/6
Glen	6/6	5/4	6/5	11/10	14/13	14/13	13/12	9/9	7/6
Freezing Level*	1300m	1300m	1300m	1300m	1400m	1500m	1500m	1500m	1400m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Nothing to add.

Forecast for Saturday 30 Apr 2022
Weather: Dry overnight with cloud gradually thickening and lowering from the west towards dawn. Occasional rain, and across highest summits sleet, feeding from the west through the morning and afternoon, most persistent across western ranges such as the Monadhliath and down towards Creag Meagaidh and Ben Alder.

Maximum wind: Southwest increasing mean 25-30mph by late morning, with gusts reaching 45mph across most exposed ridges and summits, before easing gradually from late afternoon.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: By day ranging from 30% in west and 70% in east

Low cloud and visibility: Good becoming moderate or poor in rain, very poor in hill fog with bases by day broken from 600-900m with patches lower in the west.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 2 Celsius increasing 14 Celsius during the afternoon
At 800m: Plus 4 Celsius
Freezing level: Around 1400m

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